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Police satisfied with public's behaviour past weekend and expect the same GOOD behaviour this weekend!

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The Police Force used all their departments, to include Police in patrol cars, the K9 unit, The Mobile Unit, Police in Helicopter, Police on Motorbikes, detectives along the route, and others.

Our Police men demonstrated professionalism and



the strategy we used functioned perfectly, according to Lito Lacle. The reported incidents were minor.

The Police explained that they are ready for today, Election Day and Sunday: the victory car parade. They definitely expect the behavior from everyone to be the same as the past weekend.

Follow 2013 Election Results

After all the voting booths close today, September 27th, the government's Information Bureau will begin the counting of votes and after presentation of the preliminary results.

From the Press Center situated in the Renaissance Convention Center the press will be informed and they in turn will pass the information on to the community.

A special press center, set up especially for radio and television broadcast will be charged with communicating voting results from each voting booth and make a prognosis of seats for each political party.

There will also be a map of how Aruba votes and of the previous results from the 2009 election. Government personnel from the Departments of Civil Registry and Census, Department of Information Services and Automatization (DIA), Central Office of Statistics and BUVO will be in charge of presenting the preliminary results.

The results of each voting booth will also be available online via website www.overheid.aw and www.gobierno.aw. The official results will be determined during a special session by the Supreme Electoral Council on Wednesday, October 2nd.

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Introducing the honorary consul of Finland, Mrs. Helga Mensing



The consular corps of Aruba consists of career consuls and honorary consuls, some are stationed in Aruba and a few are stationed in the European region with accreditation or jurisdiction for Aruba. In the case where a consul is stationed in the region they would visit Aruba several times during the year to conduct business here. Today we introduce the honorary consul of Finland who is stationed in Curacao.

Personal and professional profile of Mrs. Helga Mensing:

In 1986 the government of Finland appointed Mrs. Mensing honorary consul of the five islands in the Dutch Antilles. From January, 2013 Aruba also falls under her jurisdiction. In 1991 to the present, Mrs. Mensing served as Dean of the Consular Corps of Curacao. She was the first woman to occupy such a position of honor in Curacao.

Mrs. Mensing has occupied various functions and continues as shareholder in a family company, Mensings Bookstore in Curacao. As a professional Mrs. Mensing has a financial background and for many years she was Managing Director of Mensings Bookstore in Curacao.

Mrs. Mensing is also very active in the social realm. For her efforts she received a

number of distinctions, such as, among others, a distinction from the government of Finland as "First Class of the Order of the Lion of Finland." She also received the "Ridder in de Orde van Oranje Nassau" from the Dutch Kingdom.

Message of the Consul of Finland:

A Message from the honorary consul to the Finnish community:

Many do not know the role of consuls in a country. As Honorary Consul I have the responsibility for the welfare of citizens of the appointing country in my case, Finland, within my jurisdiction. Some of these tasks include providing advice and guidance for distressed Finnish citizens and foreigners permanently residing in Finland who are temporarily abroad, and assisting them in their contacts with local authorities or the nearest Finnish embassy or consulate. An honorary consul can advise Finnish companies, for instance, in obtaining information about local business culture and in finding cooperation partners. Aruba is for me a beautiful island with some of the friendliest people in the Caribbean. In the past there have been charters from Stockholm and Finland into Aruba. When Finnish tourist visit Aruba it is my duty to make sure that whatever distress they encounter, they still return to Finland with the positive image that they arrived on this Dutch island. I therefore give them my unconditional support and attention.

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Minister of Tourism pleasantly surprised at Board Walk Hotel



On Wednesday September 25th Minister of Tourism Otmar Oduber, along with Myrna Jansen, visited boutique hotel Boardwalk for the first time after it was completely renovated and changed owners. Minister Oduber was pleasantly surprised with the warm welcome he received and the transformation this small hotel in Palm Beach has made.

The new owners, vibrant twin sisters Kimberly and Stephanie Rooijackers (29) were born in Aruba and left the island for Belgium where they grew up. They always returned to the island as visitors and it had always been their dream to start a new life in Aruba. Two years ago that dream came true. When Boardwalk went up for sale, they purchased the property. Since 2011 they completely renovated and transformed this small hotel and turned it into trendy accommodations with Caribbean flair.

Together with hotel mascot Lola, a cute Dachshund teckel, Kimberly and Stephanie warmly welcomed

Minister Oduber and Myrna Jansen with tropical dragon fruits and refreshments. They gave insight into their 1.3 million dollar renovation and showed the 14 fully refurbished and refreshed casitas. They also gave the Minister a heads-up on plans for the future and showed their ranking on Tripadvisor as the second best hotel in Eagle and Palm Beach. Most recently Boardwalk received international

recognition as it was named 'best hidden gem' in the Caribbean by USA Today.

Minister Oduber was overall very impressed with the progress and results the twin sisters have booked so far and congratulated them on their accomplishments. He said to be particularly proud of the younger generation taking the lead in building on Aruba's future, upgrading the tourism product.

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Subsidy Commission bids Minister Farewell to Minister of Sports Richard Visser



Last Tuesday evening during an amiable gathering with invitees at the residence of Chu Halabi, the Subsidy Commission and their Technical Commission bid farewell to Minister of Health and Sports, Dr. Richard Visser.

The Commission expressed gratitude to Minister Visser for all his support to sports on Aruba during the past four years of his tenure as Minister. Member of the Subsidy Commission and

President of the Technical Commission, Mr. Chu Halabi in his speech indicated how grateful he is for all the work that the Minister did for sports on Aruba. In his words, "...Dr. Visser was the best Minister of Sports he has known thus far, he worked in the best interest of our athletes."

Secretary General of the Aruba Olympic Committee, Mrs. Nicole Hoevertsz, also had words of appreciation. She praised the work that the

Minister did for our local sports. The Minister believed in the sports entities on the island. COA (Olympic Committee Aruba) is especially pleased with the support received from the Minister. He is the only Minister who injected much funds in our athletes.

The Minister, she said... knows the value of the

Olympic movement, he was member of the medical commission of COA. Much of the ideas that became reality, such as the National Council of Sports, Cemedar Sports Medicine, etc. were ideas of Minister Visser."

The fruits of the good work of Minister Visser can be seen today in our young athletes who have excelled in

Lima, Peru, according to Nicole Hoevertsz.

The group presented the Minister with a beautiful portrait of himself running on a skateboard. The portrait was painted by local artist Elvis Tromp.

Chef Chu Halabi later delighted the group with his delicious "pasa bocas" (sweet delicacies).



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A happy homecoming for some very special people



Felica, Maria Rosa, Graciela and Roderick with their caregivers

Officers of the Stichting Voor Verstandelijk Gehandicapten Aruba, or SVGA, the Foundation for the Mentally Challenged, were very proud to facilitate and host a poignant visit for six Arubans who left the island nearly thirty years ago, never to return until this past Wednesday, September 25.

Bibito Pin on Aruba, which opened in 2004 providing therapy and education for the multi-disabled, is only a day care facility, and patients return to their family homes at the end of the day. For these six Arubans, the required the intensive care and therapy closest to home was the special care facility on

gnor Verriet Instituut, Shalom. SVGA President Arturo Werleman and Head of Volunteers Netty Williams had paid a visit to the Curacao facility and were sad to hear their compatriots had not returned to their home island of Aruba for nearly 30 years. They were moved to arrange a visit back to their home is-

land homecoming for six of the dozen Arubans living in her facility. They were greeted personally on their arrival at Reina Beatrix International Airport by the Minister of Economic & Social Affairs and Culture, Michelle Hooyboer-Winklaar, who has always had a special interest in the needs of the mentally challenged.

La Cabana Beach Resort has been kind enough to donate the accommodations through Sunday, and Arturo and Netty have arranged a full schedule of touring and activities for their guests, culminating in a family reunion on Saturday at their SVGA Headquarters. Their caregivers report they have not

seen any of their family for a number of years. They have also arranged some special activities, such as enjoying the beach with Aruba Adapted Happy Wheels, allowing the six to enjoy the beach and sea, something it seems they rarely have an opportunity to do in Curacao. "Our goal was to rekindle those family ties," explained Arturo Werleman, "as well as provide them some VIP treatment on Aruba."

THE MORNING NEWS welcomes Maria Rosa, Roderick, Felicia, Graciela and Edith, and their caregivers, Sun Ling, Miriella, Yvette, Urwin, Jacqueline, and Eduard for this very special visit home.

By Rosalie Klein



Edith enjoys time in the sea with Sunling and Xiomara

The six were young people who were mentally challenged and seriously physically disabled. At that time, and until this day, the SVGA has no residential, full care facility for those living with both physical and men-

Curacao with Stichting Gehandicapten -Revalidatiecentrum, or SGR Group.

SGR cares for over 300 mentally challenged in various facilities, depending on their needs, but the multi-disabled are housed at Monsi-

land providing them a chance to see how greatly it has changed over the decades.

Xiomara Ligito, Director of Monsignor Verriet Foundation was enthusiastic about their suggestion, resulting in a very exciting and special

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Obama raises stakes in US debt, spending showdown



WASHINGTON (AFP) - President Barack Obama warned Thursday he would never allow Republicans to kill or delay his health care law, raising the stakes in a showdown that could shutter government or trigger a US debt default.

House of Representatives Republicans are refusing to fund a stopgap government budget or raise the \$16.7 trillion federal borrowing ceiling unless the president agrees to defund or delay so-called "Obamacare" -- his greatest domestic political achievement.

If no deal is reached, the government could shudder to a halt next Tuesday, the first

day of the new fiscal year, and by October 17 the United States could default on its debts for the first time ever.

But Obama, speaking at a community college in suburbs surrounding the US capital, warned sharply he would not tolerate the Republican gambit on health care.

"Some have threatened a government shutdown if they can't shut down this law," Obama said.

"Others have actually threatened an economic shutdown by refusing to pay America's bills if they can't delay the law.

"That's not going to happen as long as I'm president.

The Affordable Care Act is here to stay."

Obamacare works by expanding the pool of people buying insurance and sharing costs. It requires all Americans to have health insurance -- either by plans provided by their employers or through new health insurance exchanges, which start going into effect on October 1.

Republicans oppose the overall law because they see it as unacceptable government interference. They also argue that the exchanges are not ready.

The House last week passed a temporary budget, known as a continuing resolution (CR), that maintains federal spending at current levels for the coming months while Congress works out a long-term deal.

But it controversially included a provision stripping Obamacare of its funding.

The Democratic-led Senate balked, and is widely expected to pass the spending bill with the Obamacare language stripped out.

Days before a possible

shutdown, House Speaker John Boehner huddled with his Republican caucus early Thursday to plot a path forward, and emerged to suggest the House would not approve a Senate bill.

"I do not see that happening," Boehner told reporters, adding that he would also seek to tie "important spending cuts and pro-growth reforms to a debt limit

increase."

He provided no details about the Republican plans, but conservative lawmakers have spoken of their willingness to raise the US borrowing limit only if key parts of Obamacare are delayed.

Boehner also insisted he did not expect a shutdown. But with time running out, the two sides appeared no closer to a resolution.



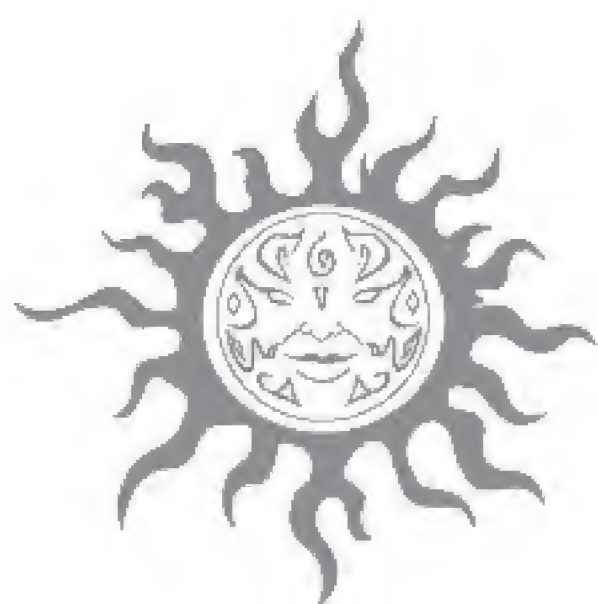
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Storm-stricken Acapulco hit by new floods

ACAPULCO (AFP) - Authorities in Acapulco closed schools and evacuated dozens of residents Thursday after heavy rains sparked new floods in the Mexican Pacific resort still reeling from deadly tropical storms.

Flooding was reported in at least 22 city districts and the main boulevard to the airport was closed after a lagoon overflowed, though the terminal remained in operation, officials said. Around 40 people were evacuated from high-risk areas, according to authorities.

Residents from the Diamante hotel neighborhood, which was heavily flooded just days ago, left their homes for fear of being trapped by the rising waters again.

Tens of thousands of tourists were stranded due to floods in Acapulco last week after tropical storms Ingrid and Manuel swept across the country.

The storms killed at least 139 people nationwide and 53 people were reported missing after a massive mudslide buried their village northwest of Acapulco.

US, Russia agree landmark UN resolution on Syria

UNITED NATIONS (AFP) - The United States and Russia on Thursday agreed the outline of a draft UN Security Council resolution on destroying Syria's chemical weapons, officials said.

While the resolution does not propose immediate measures over a chemical attack near Damascus one month ago, it allows for eventual sanctions if there are breaches of a disarmament plan, diplomats said.

The 15-member Security Council was called to a meeting at 8:00pm (0000 GMT) for first discussions on the text.

No date for a vote has been set. But if agreed, the resolution would be the first

to be passed by the council since the start of the Syria conflict in March 2011.

The accord was announced after new talks between Russia's Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov and US Secretary of State John Kerry on Syria. Neither gave details of the text.

Lavrov told reporters "an understanding" with the United States had been reached on a draft resolution and a disarmament plan which must be approved by the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW).

Kerry said the international community "can now move forward and give life hopefully to the removal and destruction of chemical weapons from Syria."

require the NSA to halt surveillance once the suspect sets foot on American soil, she said.

"These are known as roaming incidents. Of course, this collection is stopped just as the individual may be -- may be -- of the greatest concern," she said.

In the wake of revelations by intelligence leaker Edward Snowden about the government's electronic dragnet, Feinstein lamented media reports that she said had often "inaccurately" portrayed the NSA's work and had unfairly sowed public distrust of the spy agencies.

However, a tense exchange at the hearing underscored lingering questions and concerns among some lawmakers about the scope of NSA surveillance.

The head of the National Security Agency, General Keith Alexander, sidestepped questions from Senator Mark Wyden about whether the government has ever used or planned to use mobile phone data to track the location of Americans.

Alexander said the NSA can only collect "cell phone site" data with a specific court order but did not give a clear yes or no answer to the question.

"General, if you're responding to my question by not answering it, because you think that's a classified matter, that is certainly your right," said Wyden, who has been an outspoken critic of NSA secrecy and its electronic surveillance.

"We will continue to explore that because I believe this is something the American people have a right to know whether the NSA has ever collected or made plans to collect cell site information."

The Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, which oversees the NSA's eavesdropping, has ruled that the agency would need to ask for court approval to collect geographic location information from mobile phone signals.



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US lawmakers propose reforming NSA spying powers

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Lawmakers overseeing US spy agencies on Thursday proposed stricter limits on the government's electronic surveillance while also calling for bolstering its authority to track terror suspects coming to America.

Senator Dianne Feinstein, chair of the Senate Intelligence Committee, defended the National Security Agency's collection of phone and email records as legal but said she and other members of the panel favored reforms to bolster oversight and restrict some data collection.

"Among other things, we are considering provisions to do the following: place limits on NSA's phone metadata program to change but preserve this program," Feinstein said at a committee hearing with intelligence chiefs.

While calling for tougher rules, the senator also said she backed measures to enhance the government's spying authority to monitor terror suspects entering the United States. The move was needed because current rules

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Jeffrey Elliott and wife Daisy

siastic effort with his wife Daisy, who loves being the happy hostess. The regular menu features the traditional cuisine such as Jerk Chicken, Fried Chicken, Beef oxtail, Stewed Pork, Jerk Pork, Fried Fish plus a house specialty, Curried Goat. These are regular items, but Jeffrey prefers to pepper his menu with various "Specials of the Day" made from what is fresh and seasonal.

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International News

Air France to file suit after record cocaine haul

PARIS (AFP) - Air France said on Thursday it will take civil action in court after 1.3 tonnes of cocaine were smuggled into Paris on a flight from Venezuela.

The drugs were hidden in 30 suitcases and placed on a plane flying from Caracas to Paris on September 11.

The carrier said in a statement that it had launched an internal probe into the affair involving an illicit cargo worth 200 million euros (\$270m).

It said the plane carrying 254 passengers had luggage corresponding to the people on board and 13 pieces of baggage belonging to those who had travelled on an earlier flight.

"The unidentified bags were introduced in an illicit way somewhere along the loading

chain of containers due to be boarded onto the aircraft," a statement said.

Air France said the "flight was carrying 11 baggage containers, two cargo containers and two pallets in its holds. These were all recorded and listed in the flight monitoring system, in line with company procedures."

It said it had stepped up monitoring of the loading chain at some destinations.

Police say the drugs arrived in France on September 11 but were not seized until the 20th in order to let investigators monitor who was picking them up.

Venezuela has arrested 22 people including eight military staff and a local Air France deputy station manager, while three Italians and two Britons have been arrested in France.

The airline said the detention of its employee in Venezuela was a "normal procedure" and did not "imply any kind of responsibility nor any role in this affair."

Cocaine is processed from coca leaves grown in countries such as Colombia, Peru and Bolivia.

Venezuela does not produce cocaine, according to United Nations monitors, but drug traffickers are increasingly using its territory to smuggle drugs into other nations.

In 2012, Venezuelan police seized some 45 tonnes of illegal drugs, according to government figures.



SICHUAN, China - Fourteen tiny panda cubs were on full display at China's Chengdu Research Base for Giant Panda Breeding this week. In total, 20 cubs were born at the breeding base and 17 survived this year. Because of their small size and difficulty to care for at birth, about 60 to 70 per cent die within their first week. In the wild, there's also a high chance of being accidentally squished by their mamas, so often babies have a hard time surviving on their own. The cubs were bred artificially at the Chengdu Breeding and Research Base in Sichuan, the mountainous province where almost all wild pandas originate. The first 10 days are the most dangerous in a young panda's life as that is when they are most susceptible to disease. Pandas are one of the world's endangered animals with roughly 300 in captivity throughout the world and fewer than 1,600 living in the wild in China.

Global hunt for British 'White Widow'



LONDON (AFP) - The British woman dubbed the "White Widow" was at the centre of a worldwide hunt on Thursday after Interpol issued an international arrest notice in the wake of the Kenya shopping mall attack. Samantha Lewthwaite, a 29-year-old Muslim convert, was married to Germaine Lindsay, one of four Islamist suicide bombers who attacked the London transport network on July 7, 2005, killing 52 people. The Interpol red notice issued at Kenya's request says the mother-of-three is "wanted by Kenya on charges of being in possession of explosives and conspiracy to commit a felony dating back to December 2011."

Peru confirms bishop defrocked for alleged pedophilia

LIMA (AFP) - A Peruvian bishop has been defrocked over allegations of pedophilia in line with an order from Rome, the Peruvian Bishops Conference said Thursday.

This is the first time a bishop has been accused of abusing children in Peru.

The alleged offender is Gabino Miranda, until now the auxiliary bishop of Ayacucho in southeastern Peru. His whereabouts are unknown.

His punishment -- being reduced to a layman -- was first reported September 15 by another Peruvian bishop. Now it has been confirmed by the full blown bishops conference. It is the harshest punishment the Vatican can impose on a clergyman.

Pope Francis notified Peru in July via the Vatican's embassy here that Miranda must be dismissed and stripped of his status as a clergyman, said Salvador Pineiro, president of the bishops conference.

Pineiro said he supported a government investigation under way into Miranda's alleged pedophilia.

Pineiro is archbishop of Ayacucho and thus had worked with the alleged pedophile.

After news of the case first broke, Ayacucho prosecutor Gary Nunez began proceedings to have Peru's foreign ministry ask the papal nuncio -- the pope's ambassador -- for information so as to launch a probe of Miranda.

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Shale oil poses threat to Gulf exports: experts

DUBAI (AFP) - Shale oil production could pose a threat to exports from the Gulf region, whose energy wealth has given it a pivotal role in the global market and a geopolitical importance, experts say.

Saudi Arabia is the world's top oil producer, but is only marginally ahead of the United States, whose output is gaining rapidly thanks in part to development of oil shale reserves.

That could significantly alter Saudi Arabia's export mix, as the kingdom's oil accounted for a whopping 16 percent of US imports last year.

Saudi billionaire Prince Alwaleed bin Talal has joined in raising the alarm over the kingdom's dependence on oil exports to generate revenue, warning that the threat from shale oil and gas is "definitely coming".

The United States is on track to become the world-number-one oil producer by 2017 and a net exporter by 2030, according to the International Energy Agency (IEA).

Extracting oil and gas from shale rock formations has developed rapidly in the United States, whose recoverable shale oil resources amount to 58 billion barrels, according to the US Energy Information Administration.

The EIA ranks US wealth of shale oil second globally after that of Russia, which is around 75 billion barrels.

The United States also sits on 665 trillion cubic feet of technically recoverable shale gas, EIA says. That makes it the fourth globally, after China, Argentina and Algeria.

Sci-Tech

Switzerland leads in global energy ranking

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Switzerland and a handful of countries in Europe led the way in a global ranking Tuesday of energy efficiency, access to resources and environmental sustainability.

China ranked 78th and the United States was 15th, according to the report by the World Energy Council, a London-based group that promotes sustainable power.

Only five countries received all A's -- Switzerland, Denmark, Sweden, Britain and Spain.

Benin and Zimbabwe received all D's. India, Lebanon, Yemen and Nicaragua also fared poorly with C's and D's.

China got an A for energy security but D's for the environment and affordability and equitable access to power.

The United States was a top scorer in security and supply but earned a C in environmental friendliness.

The report was based on interviews with more than 50 government officials, development banks and international experts from more than 25 countries, the WEC said.

NASA tests space radar for finding buried victims



This undated photo courtesy of Nasa shows researchers as they perform a test of the Finding Individuals for Disaster and Emergency Response (Finder) prototype technology - which can locate individuals buried in disasters - at the Virginia Task Force 1 Training Facility in Lorton, Virginia. A portable radar device that can sense live victims beneath a collapsed structure was inspired by the same technology used to detect distant objects in space, Nasa said Wednesday.

WASHINGTON (AFP) - A portable radar device that can sense live victims beneath a collapsed structure was inspired by the same technology used to detect distant objects in

space, NASA said Wednesday.

The prototype for the new tool was demonstrated for reporters by US space agency experts who are collaborating with the Department of Home-

land Security.

Known by the acronym FINDER, short for Finding Individuals for Disaster and Emergency Response, the device can locate people as many as 30 feet (nine meters) under crushed materials, NASA said.

In open spaces it can reach further, detecting people at a distance of 100 feet (30 meters). Behind solid concrete, the device works as far as 20 feet (about six meters).

The technology is more advanced than present radars, whose signals can be hard to decipher in a typical building collapse because they bounce off the multiple surfaces and angles.

FINDER uses advanced algorithms to "isolate the tiny signals from a person's moving chest by filtering out other signals, such as those from moving trees and animals," NASA said.



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16. Those others
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18. Also
20. ___ up (formed a partnership)

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26. Provide guns
27. Sister or cousin (abbr.)
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31. Study hurriedly
33. April's season (abbr.)
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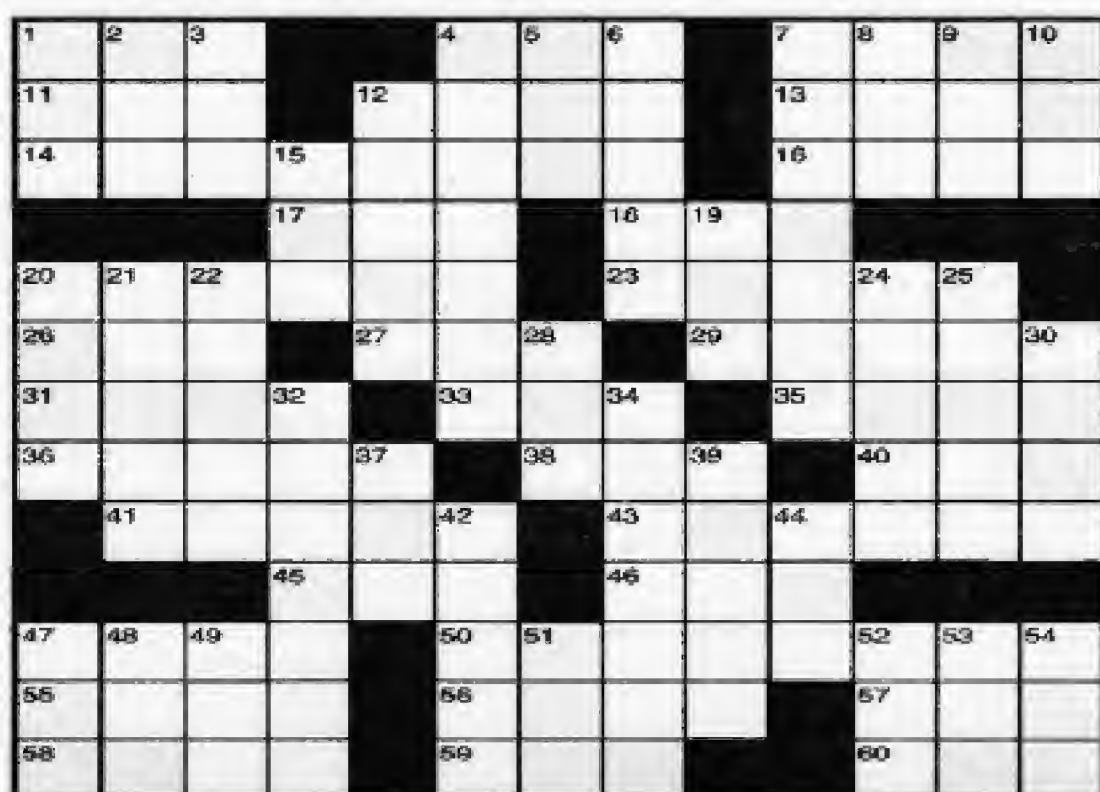
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10. Catch sight of
12. Slim candle
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19. Fall mo.
20. Cantina snack
21. Typographical
22. Wow
24. Poe's middle name
25. Norman Vincent
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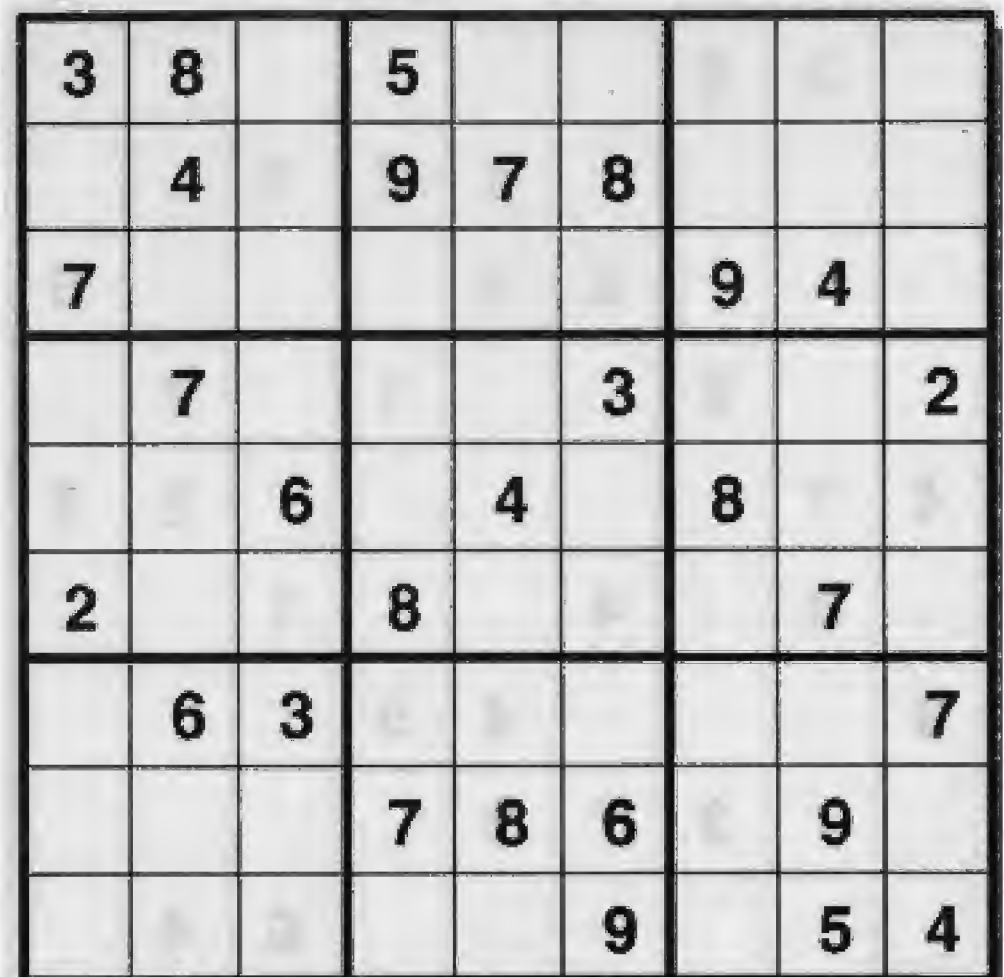
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Budget plans: cabinet willing to talk about social accord changes

DEN HAAG, The Netherlands - The cabinet is prepared to talk to unions and employers about bringing forward plans to reform redundancy law and cut unemployment benefits, prime minister Mark Rutte said on Thursday.

Speaking on the second day of debate on the government's 2014 spending plans, Rutte said he considered there to be a 'limited, possibly very limited' chance of unions and employers agreeing to the changes, the Financieel Dagblad reported.

Opposition parties CDA and D66 have said they want to speed up the reforms as a condition for supporting the government in the upper house of parliament.

Rutte said during his speech he would like to meet their demands but that he considers there will be more understanding for changes in other sections of the agreement.

Rutte also said calls for a reduction in the size of the €6bn austerity package are not an

option. This would not be acceptable to Brussels, he said. The Netherlands has to implement cuts to bring the budget deficit back in line with euro-zone limits.

The cabinet needs the support of the big opposition parties to get its more controversial proposals through the upper house of parliament, where it does not have a majority.

BRUSSELS (AFP) - The European Union is likely to be 20 billion euros (\$27 billion) in the red in 2013, forcing the bloc to transfer payment of unpaid bills to 2014, a European source said Thursday.

The source, who asked not to be identified, said the forecast shortfall on this year's 132.8-billion-euro budget was discussed at talks between the European Commission, which is the bloc's executive, the European Parliament, and Lithuania, which currently holds the rotating EU presidency.

The Commission told EU lawmakers that requests for reimbursements from member states between now and year's end were expected to amount to 50 billion euros but that there were only 30 billion euros left in the coffers.

The Commission as a rule meets payments requested up until October but may delay

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Global oil prices rose Thursday as upbeat US jobs data helped the US benchmark contract break a five-day losing streak.

New York's West Texas Intermediate for November delivery finished at \$103.03 a barrel, up 37 cents from Wednesday's closing level.

The European benchmark, Brent North Sea crude for November, rose 89 cents to \$109.21 a barrel in London trade.

WTI managed a modest gain "after US initial claims for unemployment benefits were lower than expected," said Tim Evans of Citi Futures.

New US jobless claims, an indicator of the pace of lay-

offs, fell by 5,000, to 305,000, in the week ending September 21, according to the Labor Department.

The jobless claims report, along with economic growth data confirming an annual rate of 2.5 percent in the second quarter, "make investors believe demand should pick up" in the world's largest economy, said Bart Melek of TD Securities.

"Overall, we continue to view the market as fragile on easing geopolitical tensions and what was a lackluster DoE weekly inventory report for last week, but the market seems to keep drawing a modicum of buying interest anyway," Evans said.

The US Department of Energy reported Wednesday a surprise jump in US crude oil

commercial stockpiles last week, by 2.6 million barrels, instead of the drop of 900,000 barrels expected.

The West and oil-producer Iran continued to take steps Thursday toward easing the standoff over Tehran's nuclear program, with diplomats meeting at the United Nations.

Iran is seeking an end to international sanctions imposed over Iran's alleged nuclear weapons development. Iran denies the claim and insists its program is for peaceful purposes.

The oil market was subdued ahead of next week's National Day holiday in China, the world's top energy consumer, and the close of the third quarter Monday.

EU short 20 bn euros for 2013: source

payment on bills submitted later in the year until 2014.

The EU budget, largely made up of contributions from member states, makes its way back to these countries in the form of financing for the agricultural sector or regional projects. The EU is also the world's top aid donor.

The shortfall is likely to exacerbate friction over the budget between member states and the European parliament, already angry over proposed cuts in EU spending by austerity-minded national governments.

The Commission had already asked for an extra 11.2 billion euros in 2013 to cover

unpaid bills from 2012, and lawmakers had approved proposals for the next longterm 2014-2020 budget only on condition that member states cover these bills.

Governments had asked to pay that sum in two instalments, with 7.3 billion euros paid up during the summer. Last week the Commission reminded governments that it was awaiting a further 3.9 billion euros.

Next month the European Parliament is set to vote on the final approval to the 960-billion-euro (\$1.25-trillion) 2014-2020 EU budget at a plenary session October 21-24.

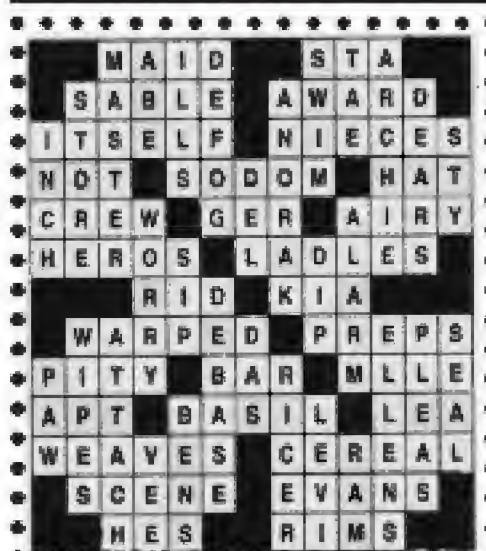
Agreement on the seven-

year budget, which cuts spending for the first time, has been held up by months of squabbling between governments, the parliament and the EU executive.

The parliament and Commission had been at odds with austerity hardliners Britain, Germany and the Netherlands, who early this year shot down plans to increase spending and instead pushed through a historic three-percent cut.

Notably at stake are plans to quickly put billions of euros into measures to help Europe's 5.6 million unemployed people under the age of 25.

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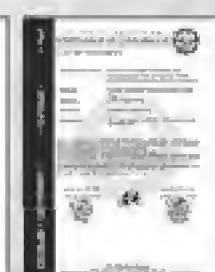
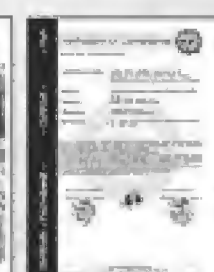
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Main dishes are accompanied by a choice of rice, mixed vegetables rich with garlic, or Naan, plain, buttered, onion or garlic, and you will want to order an extra basket or two of this tasty delight, on which you can spoon your main course, as well. Poori is crispy fried naan, and most definitely worth the extra two dollars to sample with your meal. Located behind the Royal Plaza Mall, Taj Mahal offers a dining experience that is truly out of the ordinary; they feature an excellent and tasty selection for vegetarians too. If you are a fan of Indian food, or have been toying with trying it, Taj Mahal is the place for a very affordable dining experience and the real deal! **Call 588-4494 for reservations.**



Jury to retire after five-month Jackson-AEG trial

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Jurors in the trial pitting Michael Jackson's family against the promoters of his last doomed tour will retire to consider their verdict, after a final plea Thursday by his mother's lawyers.

At the end of a five-month trial, the six-man, six-woman jury will have to decide if promoters AEG Live negligently hired and supervised Dr Conrad Murray, the medic convicted over the pop icon's 2009 death.

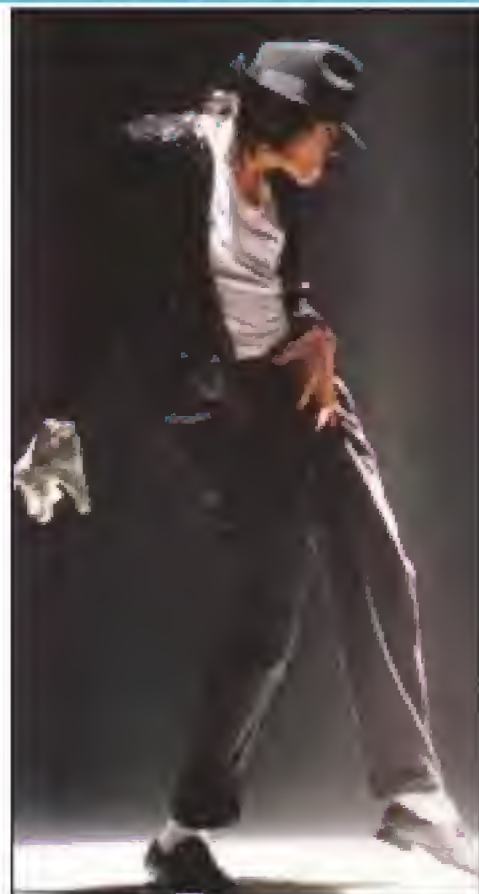
If they find in the Jacksons' favor they will also determine how much AEG Live should pay in compensation. The promoters' main lawyer says the star's family wants \$1.5 billion, a sum he calls "absurd."

Lawyers for the Jackson family and AEG Live made their closing arguments on Tuesday and Wednesday, and the Jacksons' attorney Brian Panish has one last chance to rebut his rivals' claims on Thursday.

Panish has said the promoters should pay \$290 million in so-called non-economic damages, for the likes of loss of emotional comfort, and an unspecified amount for economic damages.

On Tuesday he cited accountants' analyses of Jackson's potential future earnings of between about \$900 million and \$1.6 billion, but said the jury would have to decide its own figure.

AEG Live's attorney Marvin Putnam said Wednesday a claim on such scale was ridiculous.



"Their dollar amount is \$1.5 billion dollars. They kinda rushed through that," he said, referring to the studies cited by Panish the previous day, including in slides shown in court.

Jackson, 50, died on June 25, 2009 from an overdose of the anesthetic propofol at his rented mansion in Los Angeles, where he was rehearsing for the "This is It" shows at London's O2 Arena.

Murray, a cardiologist, was convicted of involuntary manslaughter in a criminal trial in 2011 for giving the drug to the star -- who suffered from chronic insomnia -- to help him sleep.

Murray was jailed for four years.

In the civil trial, the singer's mother Katherine Jackson, 83, alleged that AEG Live negligently

hired an inappropriate and incompetent doctor and missed a series of red flags about the star's failing health in the run-up to his death.

But the promoter's lawyer said Wednesday that AEG Live never actually hired Murray, who it noted had treated Jackson and his children over several years.

"You can't negligently hire someone unless you hire them," said Putnam, adding: "The evidence is very clear that Michael Jackson was the one who hired Dr Murray."

Referring to the nightly propofol infusions given to Jackson by Murray, the lawyer said: "AEG never would have agreed to finance this tour if it knew that Mr Jackson was playing Russian roulette in his bedroom every night."

Jackson was "responsible for his own health, certainly his own healthcare, and he's responsible for his own choices, no matter how bad those choices turn out to be," Putnam said.

Katherine Jackson, who has been in court this week as she has been throughout the trial, is taking the legal action on behalf of herself and Jackson's three children: 16-year-old Prince, Paris, 15, and 11-year-old "Blanket."

If the jury decides in the Jackson family's favor, Jackson family lawyer Panish suggested jurors split whatever compensation amount they decide on in the ratio of 30 percent for each of the three children, and 10 percent for Jackson's mother.

Send books not guns, Malala pleads at UN



Girls education advocate Malala Yousafzai joined Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Unesco chief Irina Bokova to celebrate the one-year anniversary of the UN Global Education First Initiative.

UNITED NATIONS (AFP) - With a maturity and poise that belied her tender years, Malala Yousafzai, the Pakistani teen shot by the Taliban for championing girls' education stood by world leaders on Wednesday and called for books not guns.

"Instead of sending soldiers, send teachers," Malala argued at an event attended by Nobel peace laureate Desmond Tutu, Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and Croatian premier Ivo Josipovic.

According to the United Nations, some 57 million children around the world of elementary school age are denied an education -- and 52 percent of them are girls.

It was not Malala's first trip

to the United Nations building in New York. Earlier this year in July, she received a standing ovation for an address to the general assembly at which she vowed she would never be silenced.

"We want women to be independent ... and to have equal rights as men have," Malala said.

Malala's courage has already won her numerous awards including the highest honor from Amnesty International, which announced she would be named an Ambassador of Conscience.

Next month her book "I am Malala" is due to be published and she has also launched an organization called the "Malala Fund."

Flawless \$60-mn pink diamond up for auction



GENEVA (AFP) - A flawless 59.60-carat pink diamond known as the "Pink Star" is up for grabs at a Sotheby's auction in November with an asking price of \$60 million (49 million euros), the highest ever sought at auction for a gemstone. David Bennett, chairman of Sotheby's jewellery division in Europe and the Middle East, said the diamond belonged in "the ranks of the Earth's greatest natural treasures". The sparkling oval-cut rock, which has received the highest possible colour and clarity rating from the Gemological Institute of America (GIA), was presented to reporters Wednesday and will be part of the auction house's Magnificent Jewels auction in Geneva on November 13. Set on a ring, the gem measures 2.69 by 2.06 centimetres (1.06 by 0.81 inches), and weighs 11.92 grammes (0.026 pounds). It would earn Sotheby's around \$5.0 million per gramme or \$1.0 million per carat if the auction house fetches its asking price.

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-- A favorite stop for a great burger for lunch or dinner has just expanded their hours and menu to offer some of the best breakfast bargains to be found in Palm Beach. Owners Aaron and Rosie Walisever are living their dream: a home on paradise while welcoming all and

sundry to their proud undertaking. 5 Burgers Aruba. The couple's fanatical dedication to giving their customers what they really want has resulted in a unique menu from an internationally known franchise with a "5", which now includes breakfast.

"You never get a second chance to make a first impression," believes Aaron. Upon entering 5 Burgers Aruba in The Village Mall in Palm Beach, one is struck by utterly spotless surroundings and a smiling, friendly, attentive service crew. Of course, the main item on the menu is burgers-the way they were meant to be, thick and juicy, made fresh daily and 100% pure beef, the kind that made the hamburger a traditional American treat.

However, beginning at 7 a.m., patrons can now order 2

eggs any style, (omelets with 3 fillings are \$7.99) toast and coffee with unlimited refills for the special introductory price of only \$3.99, or All-you-can-eat pancakes for \$6.99! A new plate called the "Home Run" comes with 2 eggs, bacon or sausage, 2 pancakes, toast & home fries - for only \$9.99! Best of all - unlimited coffee or tea - that is, refillable and never ending is only \$.79! Breakfast is served from 8am until noon. Famous for their fries made from fresh potatoes, Aaron has been working for months on devising the most irresistible home fries recipe, chunky and tender with skins still on; after much testing and tasting, he got the thumbs up from his harshest critic, Rosie; so this is another treat you have to try.

A glance at their burger menu will certainly tempt you to return for lunch or dinner, to sample their famous specialty items such as the Gouda, Farmer's or Man Burger (al-



most 12 ounces of choice beef), and a Western Burger with Aarons' secret-recipe crispy onion rings. All of these can be personalized with an incredible array of toppings, (mushrooms, jala-peño peppers, bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomato...whatever, the list goes on) at absolutely no extra cost.

5 Burger portions are ENORMOUS! Aaron suggests that even their small serving of fries is enough to be shared by

two. He was very amused to watch a famous French chef demonstrating the best way to make fried potatoes on a gourmet cooking show and could only comment "He stole my recipe!"

Try them the English way-with vinegar, and you'll wonder how you ever ate fries without it. This same 5-star chef also swears by Gouda as the best topping for the ideal gourmet cheeseburger.

5 Burgers is now open early until 10-ish at night; delivery is available to both the high-rise and low-rise hotel and beach district at now extra cost for orders over \$50. Enjoy a great lunch without ever leaving the beach by calling 586-3904. However, we suggest you stop by and enjoy their authentic, heartfelt hospitality; it is not unusual for either owner to sit and chat, sharing their knowledge of the island while making sure patrons are happy with their meal.

Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest

-- Management of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, reports that sales have been very good and encouraging as the global economy recovers and people looking to purchase vacation homes have found that Gold Coast is an outstanding investment value. Director of Sales, Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners in reality do not spend a great amount of time personally to use the villas or town homes they purchase, but are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their "home away from home" in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community where the value of properties has only increased over time. It is only minutes to the best beaches and all the action, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway; we are very pleased by



the response to our concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy operate Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years. "Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project and the scope of actual and planned facilities and amenities. We have spoken to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who have dreamed of their own home in Aruba contributed to the realization of Gold Coast Aruba which when complete will be a community

of 260 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional community pool areas. The Clubhouse is about to start construction and will offer to the community homeowners and visitors 2 tennis courts, full service spa and fitness center as well as a stunning pool area and is expected to be complete by early 2013. It will also house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, particularly those taking advantage of the on site management's rental services program. There is always a great demand for Aruba and facili-

ties such as those at Gold Coast, make it easy for some owners to see a valuable return on their investment.

The design of the residences and public areas is open, airy and spacious, taking full advantage of the island environment, with quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options allowing buyers to individualize their homes. An elegant and chic furniture package is available or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property; not the

least is the future value of the investment. To further enhance this, Gold Coast management have inaugurated a number of in-house services and have recently become affiliated Interval International, the world's largest network of vacation ownership properties which provides an unlimited international pool of investors to tap for ownership and rental prospects. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination is also available through the Interval International affiliation. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, child care, catering services, car rental through its partnership with AVIS car rental are also available as well as pre-shopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can also be arranged through their property management department. Personnel are also available to assist in arranging restaurant reservations and island activities.

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Olympics: NHL star Ovechkin to begin Sochi torch relay



WASHINGTON (AFP) - Alex Ovechkin, a three-time National Hockey League Most Valuable Player with the Washington Capitals, was named Thursday to be the first Russian torchbearer for the 2014 Sochi Winter Olympics.

The Capitals announced that right wing Ovechkin, the team captain, will leave the squad after Friday's pre-season home game against Philadelphia for the Olympic Torch igniting ceremony on Sunday at Olympia, Greece.

"I'm extremely humbled and honored to be the first Russian to carry the Olympic Torch," Ovechkin said of the Sochi relay launch. "This is a once in a lifetime opportunity

and something I will never forget."

The torch will travel through all 83 regions of Russia, visiting 2,900 towns and settlements on its journey to Sochi for the Winter Olympics next February, when Ovechkin will try to lead a squad of Russian stars to their first gold medal since NHL players began competing at the Olympics in 1998.

Ovechkin, named the NHL's top player last season as well as in 2008 and 2009, will return to the Capitals on Sunday ahead of Tuesday's season opener at Chicago against the defending Stanley Cup champion Blackhawks.

"This is a huge honor and we are so proud and excited for Alex and his family," Capitals owner Ted Leonsis said. "This is a very special event and we are thrilled that he was recognized for his past achievements and his dedication to his craft and his country."

Ovechkin, who is engaged to tennis player compatriot Maria Kirilenko, is one of the most recognizable faces in Russian sport.

Selig to step down as MLB boss in January 2015

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Major League Baseball commissioner Bud Selig said Thursday that he will resign in January of 2015, ending a reign of more than 20 years that began as an interim boss in 1992.

Selig had already said two years ago that the 2014 season would be his last in charge, but gave details about his farewell and the process to name a successor.

Selig, 79, was owner of the Milwaukee Brewers before he took over as the interim commissioner in 1992 after owners voted out Fay Vincent and was named to the job on a permanent basis in 1998.

Major League Baseball has grown into a \$9 billion business during Selig's tenure, but has also been stained by doping scandals, including one this year that prompted Selig to impose a 211-game doping ban upon New York Yankees star Alex Rodriguez, who is playing as he appeals the suspension.

Selig had fights with players, the most brutal of which

saw the cancellation of the 1994 World Series as club owners took a hard line in a fight for profits they would eventually share.

The humiliating loss of a season that was two-thirds complete helped push fans away in Montreal, leading to the club's transfer to Washington, but the bitter memory helped owners and players avoid future money disputes such as those suffered by the other top North American team sports in recent years.

US lawmakers famously criticized Selig for most of a 12-hour hearing into steroids in baseball, a stinging rebuke that led Selig to toughen Major League Baseball's anti-doping policy to the toughest of the major North American sports leagues, who do not follow World Anti-Doping Agency guidelines.

Home run record chases by Mark McGwire and Barry Bonds ended in doping disgrace, with McGwire admitting he took performance-enhancing drugs and Bonds linked to the

BALCO steroid scandal and jeered by fans as he became the all-time US homer king, although he was convicted only of giving a rambling and unresponsive answer to a grand jury when his doping issues resulted in a trial.

Selig took the American League and National League from two divisions to three in 1994 and expanded the playoffs from four to eight total teams. They were stretched again to the current 10 clubs.

As if that was not shattering to purists of the sport, inter-league games began in 1997, an idea that helped push the Houston Astros move from the National to American league this season to give each 15 clubs.

Under Selig, Major League Baseball took charge of its own international reputation with the World Baseball Classic, spinning a shutdown of its season to compete in the Olympics in favor of a March pre-season event that would send top players from around the world against each other before the start of the North American season.



Curacao Born Jonathan Schoop singled in his first major league at-bat and homered in his third, helping the Orioles to a 9-5 win over Toronto on Wednesday. Schoop became the second Oriole to homer in his major league debut. Larry Haney was the first on July 27, 1966 against Cleveland. It was some night for the 21-year-old infielder and O's 2011 minor league

Player of the Year.

"For me, that is the first one ever in my career, my major league debut. It's an experience I'll never forget," Schoop said.

Schoop said he has two baseballs to add to his trophy case.

When I came in, Alexi (Casilla) told me they threw the ball outside. I said, 'No way, no way,' but they were joking," Schoop said.

"Very exciting to take the first one out of the way and it takes pressure away from yourself. When I hit (the third inning single) and saw the ball go for a hit, I was happy."

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MLB: Darvish could be key as playoff race concludes

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The Texas Rangers, Tampa Bay Rays and Cleveland Indians will carry the fight for the last Major League Baseball playoff spots into the final week-end of the six-month season.

Eight of the 10 berths are already secured for the post-season fight that begins next week, with Atlanta, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Cincinnati and the Los Angeles Dodgers set in the National League and Oakland, Boston and Detroit having clinched American League division crowns.

That leaves three clubs in the hunt for two wildcard playoff berths given to the non-division winners with the best records.

Among those struggling is Japanese pitcher Yu Darvish,

the major league season strikeouts leader with 269 over 204 innings. He has issued 10 walks in his past 10 1/3 innings.

Darvish is scheduled to start in the Rangers' final game of the season on Sunday against the Angels and the playoff hopes for Texas could come down to how well he can baffie rival batters.

Any tie-breaker games, if needed, would be Monday with the American League wildcard game next Wednesday. That winner would play a series against the team with the league's best record.

Playoff pairings remain on

the line in both leagues. The St. Louis Cardinals (94-65) and Atlanta Braves (93-65) lead the National League fight with the Dodgers (91-67) not yet out.

Pittsburgh (91-68) and Cincinnati (90-69) occupy the wildcard spots and their season-ending series figures to decide which club gets the home-field edge for the National League wildcard game on Tuesday.

In the American League, Boston (96-63) has the edge upon Oakland (94-65) and Detroit (93-66) in the chase for home-field advantage in the playoffs.

NBA: Knicks bring back Mills, dump Grunwald

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Steve Mills, who spent 10 years as an executive with the New York Knicks, returned to the NBA club on Thursday as president and general manager, replacing Glen Grunwald.

The Knicks announced the switch, saying Grunwald will stay with the organization as an advisor. He joined the Knicks in 2006 after 10 years with the Toronto Raptors and has had various roles with the team.

Mills joined the Knicks in 1999 as executive vice president of franchise operations and in 2001 became president of sports teams operations for

the MSG ownership group, watching over business operations for the Knicks, the Women's NBA's New York Liberty and the National Hockey League's New York Rangers.

Mills departed to serve as chief executive of an investment management group.

The Knicks have reached the NBA playoffs in each of the past three seasons after a six-year playoff drought. Last season the Knicks won the Atlantic division but lost to the Indiana Pacers in the Eastern Conference semi-finals.

Brazil Taekwondo shines bright

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Youth Medal Standing for team:

- 1- MEX - México (11,2,7) - 90 points
- 2- CAN - Canadá (4,3,6) - 43 points
- 3- BRA - Brasil (2,6,4) - 36 points
- 4- PER - Perú (1,2,1) - 14 points
- 5- CRC - Costa Rica (0,2,4) - 10 points
- 6- ESA - El Salvador (1,0,1) - 8 points
- 7- USA - Estados Unidos (1,0,0) - 7 points
- 8- ARU - Aruba (0,1,3) - 6 points
- 8- PUR - Puerto Rico (0,1,3) - 6 points
- 9- HON - Honduras (0,1,0) - 3 points
- 9- PAN - Panamá (0,1,0) - 3 points
- 10- NIC - Nicaragua (0,0,2) - 2 points
- 11- CHI - Chile (0,0,1) - 1 point
- 11- COL - Colombia (0,0,1) - 1 point

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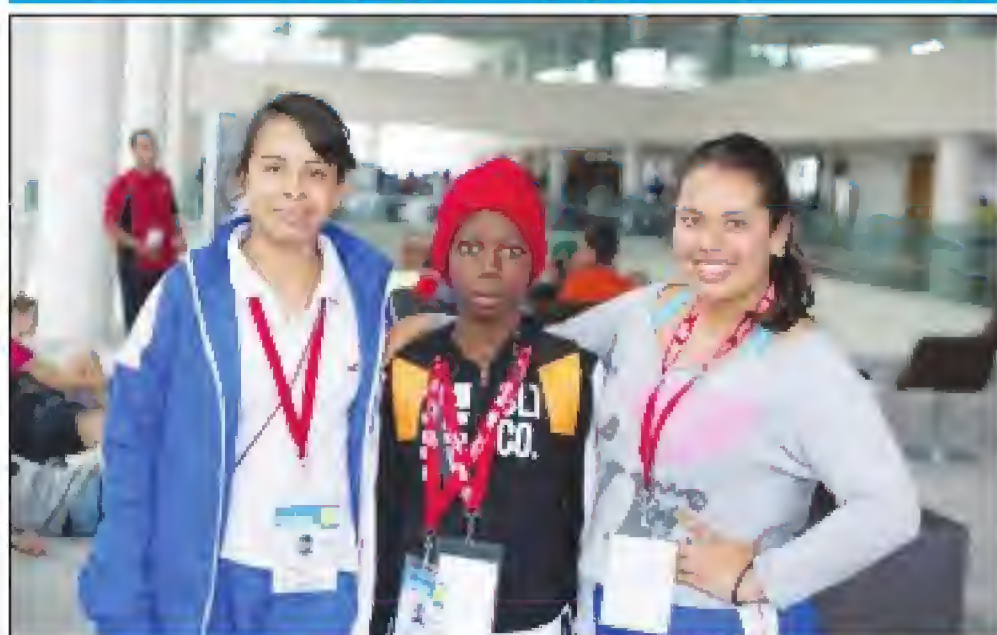
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Brazil Taekwondo shines bright in Pan American Games in Mexico!



-- The Aruba Brazil Taekwondo Foundation won 1 Gold, 2 Silver and 4 Bronze medals in the Pan American Cadet and Open last week in Queretaro, Mexico. Aruba participated with 4 athletes. Rasheed Lowe won the Gold medal on Sunday. Jendrique Gumbs won a Silver medal. Hakeem Lowe won a Bronze medal. Hakeem played again on Sunday and won a Silver medal. Jourde Klaber won Bronze and later a Silver medal.

Brazil Taekwondo Foundation is very pleased with the results. They attribute their success to the good coaching that the youth received from their American Coach, Russel Beneby. Beneby was responsible for training the group during

his visit to Aruba in July. Alberto Klaber who took pictures of the event said that he is convinced that our athletes can do even more, even better. Our athletes fought against the very best athletes from the Pan American countries. They lost from Mexico, considered the strongest country in the region thus far.

Our athletes are now going to prepare diligently for the next big championship, which are the Canada Open and later the USA Open. Both championships are for ranking. In the FEMEXTKD Aruba is noted as having achieved the 8th place with punctuation.

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